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And the New Year is here to stay.  
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The men isn't half so wild;  
The New Year is here to stay.  
And do a signal killin';  
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**Fire Causes a Panic in a North Sixth Street Lodging House.**

**Three Terror-Stricken Women Jump From the Windows.**

**Mrs. Mary Westland Dashed to Pieces on the Stones.**

**Two Others Taken to the City Hospital, Badly Injured—Robert Bailey, a Circus Performer, Saves Himself and His Wife in a Novel Way—The Fire is a Trivial Affair—Bedrooms Gutted and the Restaurant and Saloon Damaged—Scenes Among the Lodgers—Stories of Those Who Escaped—Causes of the Fire—A Terrible Holocaust Narrowly Averted.**

The blare of tin trumpets heralding in the new year, and the rat-tat of cheap pianos in the still cheaper saloons on North Sixth street, near Morgan, had scarcely subsided, early this morning, when these sounds of revelry were succeeded by a more musical, if less inspiring, up-roar—the clang of beaten gongs and the mad whirl of many wheels over the granite pavement. Fire engine and truck came rattling round the corners from the north and south and blocked the thoroughfare between Christy avenue and Morgan street.

Presently the whole neighborhood was in a turmoil, for those who followed in the firemen's wake saw a great blaze at what everyone recognized as a crowded lodging house, and even while the hose was still unreeled, frightened men and women, pallid with the fear that will come even to the bravest when caught like rats in a burning building, came crowding to the upper windows, begging assistance from the people below.

The flames raged furiously, for the architect had kindly provided a fine meal for them in the shape of wooden partitions, open at the top. Within the building, which was a double one, numbered 719 to 721, just opposite the Union Market, some twenty or thirty men and women had sought shelter for the night. The exact number of these was not definitely known, for once thoroughly aroused, those nearest the stairways came crowding down and out, half dressed and wholly terrified. That everyone had not escaped was soon made manifest. The flames had first found food at the entrance to the stairs leading down from the second floor to the third, so that only means of escape through the bottom flight had been provided, and the first intimation the onlookers received as to the safety of lodgers aloft came in the fashion of piercing cries for help from the windows in front and at the rear. At one or the third-story casements looking out on Sixth street.

A WOMAN STOOD and waved her hands. She was panic-stricken, and her only thought was immediate escape from the flames that were hissing under great streams of water, but which for all that seemed to be surely eating their way to human fuel. The woman was Mrs. Mary Westland, wife of the barkeeper in the saloon below, and as the

sixth street side, the center of excitement. Shortly after the fire was well under way, two windows were hurriedly opened, and through the casement of each was thrust the head of a woman. The firemen called to them to be quiet, as they would soon be rescued, and told them to remain just as they were, with their faces exposed to the fresh air. But it availed nothing, for the women were in real danger, as the ladders were already ready for the rescue, but this poor creature had no time to live. The breath of the flames fanned the sheet of smoke, causing pressing upon them in great stifling clouds, and, as far as they could discern, applied to the ground. Mrs. Mary Davidson, sister of one of the proprietors, was first to leap. Her compartment in the tenement-house was immediately set afire, but the door to which was half broken and open, but in her descent she fortunately missed the opening. Realized that her light was failing, she struck the ground hard, and lay unconscious where she fell, with a bruised head and a broken arm.

LEZIE DURHAM, nothing deterred by the fate of her neighbor, took warning by her example. She was a widow, mother of three small children, and may be it was the thought of her little ones that moved her to the leap. The window from which she jumped was second story, and her fall was not direct. She fell in the cellar's mouth and, like the unfortunate who had preceded her, was picked up sorely bruised.

Meanwhile the other lodgers had sought safer channels for escape, and crowded about with such philosophy as they can summon, waiting for the smothering bodies by the fire. The unfortunate proprietors might not be counted with these, realizing the uselessness of intervening. They broke unfalteringly enough for them, and after barely escaping with their lives, they stood unmindful of all save speculation as to who had started the conflagration. Two others were the most chafed concerned. Zeller was proprietor of the lodging house, and Thompson was the manager of the first floor, while Thompson had recently acquired a part interest in the restaurant.

Both groaning heavily, surrounded by an excited throng. On investigation they proved to be Mrs. Davidson, the sister of Louis Thompson, manager of the old world named Lizzie, a dish-washer in some restaurant or other, whose last name I do not know. Mrs. Davidson had a room on the west side of the third story, not far from the hall of the stairs. She was lying in the alley, and had evidently jumped from the window. The flames, rushing up the stairs,

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no coat, and presented various other indications of having made a rather hasty toilet. But otherwise he seemed little discomposed and served the numerous customers who descended. To a POST-DISPATCH reporter he said: "I was fast asleep when I heard the cry of 'Fire' and out I ran. I called my wife, and told her to get out, and to make her follow me downstairs. Instead of doing so he broke out into wild screams, pulled her hand away, and ran up the stairs. I followed him to the back out by fire. I ran through the smoke, reached the street and found her lying senseless on the granite. They took her to the hospital. I am not sure whether she is dead or not, but think she must be."

AN ACROBAT'S ESCAPE. Robert H. Fries, who with his wife occupied a room in the north corner of the third-story, said: "I was aroused by the noise, and on opening the door saw that the flames had come down the stairs. I was very slim. The narrow hall was full of smoke and flames were breaking from the ceiling of the staircase. I ran down the stairs, and as I did so I always have my apparatus with me. I took a long rope, fastened it around my wife's waist, let her down to the pavement, and then came down hand-over-hand myself. I never felt any anxiety, but feared that my wife might become nervous. When we got to the ground, the rope around her waist slipped. Upon the window-sill, looked out to see that no telephone wires were in the way, and then I took the long rope again and she reached the pavement. She untied the rope, and steadied it as I came down. Neither of us are in any way worse than we were before. I have a diamond, as the place is a perfect tinder box, being about twenty inches apart, and the stairway, besides being very narrow, is a regular fire trap. When I was wakened up all I could do was to jump out of bed, but I had not possessed a robe, my wife and myself would in all probability have perished miserably. An acrobat's life is full of compensations. I never realized this so fully as I did this morning, and will never again quarrel with my profession."

JAMES TUCKER, the cook, in speaking of the fire said: "There is only one place in the city where I have originated, and that is at the foot of the stairs leading from the second to the third floor. This is just in front of the laundry, but there has not for a long time been any smoke seen in the laundry. It is at the foot of the stairs, against a wooden partition, the only light in the house, that burned all night was hung, a lamp, blue oil, fixed and nail. A man coming in might easily stumble against it, and knock it down, and it may have exploded, or if heat from the lamp had been too great, it may have rested. I was sleeping on the third floor, was awoken by the smoke and heat; called all those on the floor, and afterward rushed through the smoke to the street. It was a tough job, but not one who tried it failed. If the women had only kept their heads no one would have been hurt."

HENRY FREDRICH, a corporal German, who had engaged in his boyhood in a house which will last him for some time to come. He was a transient guest and had been assigned to a room just behind the entrance, which is on the third floor, and the tenantry hours in miles conviviality. Mr. Fredrich retired, considering it an unnecessary formality to remove his clothes, and lay down in a swimming position of the just. The noise of the shins and rustling failed to distract his slumber, but the squeaking of the mattress, which caught fire, brought him to his feet. He came down, rolled up his stockings, and lay down again, resting on his stomach. Springing up from the floor, he managed to make out what had occurred. He made a hasty breakfast for the students, descended the first half of the flight as a single bound and completed the trip by an abominable leap, which landed him in a swimming position on the pavement, not much hurt, but considerably disturbed.

There were a number of narrow escapes, but the greater number of these were lost. One unknown man took a flying leap from a second-story window. It lit on his feet and sat down on the pavement. The force of the impact caused him to run to gather up the pieces, but to his surprise the bold leaper gathered himself up and, with still more impetuosity, went to his old home. He was more interested in the smoke, and the ill effects soon passed away.

MARY WESTLAND died at 9:15 o'clock, a few minutes after reaching the City Hospital. She had sustained only one fracture—that of her left arm, which was broken in two places, and down at the waist, were very badly burned. But the burns, in the opinion of the doctors, were not serious enough to fatal, their worst feature being that they had inhaled the fire and smoke which filled the rooms. Her face was very badly burned by the flames. Her identity was soon discovered, and the body was held for a time for further instructions from the authorities or to be turned over to her friends or relatives as circumstances required.

THE INJURED WOMEN. Mary Davidson, woman of 36, was seriously injured about the head and arms. When picked up she was unconscious, but soon recovered, and at the time unable to speak for pain. She was taken to the city hospital and died at the City Hospital in company with the other two injured women. On being examined at the hospital it was found that her head was a mass of cuts and bruises, many of them entering through the scalp to the skull. Fortunately for the patient, leaving the bone unfractured. Her left arm was dislocated and a broken bone was forced entirely through the flesh of the forearm, making a ghastly wound. Her injuries were dressed as well as possible, but at 10 o'clock she was still suffering intense agony, two nurses being necessary to hold her by the bed, so as to prevent her from pulling off the dressings of the doctors. At times she lapsed into a semi-delirious condition, and begged and implored someone to get her to sleep. It was impossible to understand the name of the person she was calling upon, but it was evidently some who was in the room with her in the fire-room. She could not tell the names of fire and water companies, but would say nothing beyond giving her name and age.

The other woman who survived the accident was Lizzie or Elizabeth Durham, a woman of 22 years, who said that she was a widow and had lived in St. Louis for twenty-one years, and in India for three years, much like those of her companion. Her left arm was badly fractured, and her head very much cut, indicating that she had been thrown from the window. She did not suffer as much as her companion, but would say nothing beyond giving her name and age.

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This morning it was reported from Bushong, Mo., a little station on the Iron Mountain Railroad, about thirty miles south of this city, that a terrible railroad collision took place here on a curve just south of the depot. The eastbound freight and the northbound ex-press No. 79 and 78, respectively, ran into each other at 9 o'clock last evening. The train was blocked by the wreck all night, and was held over until 6 a.m. by the conductor and engineer, who had to go to town to get supplies. Such an accident has not occurred since the iron road was opened in 1880, and is the first since the arrival of the railroads in this state.

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A leap year party was given last evening by a number of young ladies in compliment to their gentlemen friends. The evening was

spent playing all sorts of games till midnight, when a notable game was served. Among those present were Miss Diamond Page, Lena Goss, Ophelia Goss, and others.

Kate Shea, also John and Will Shea, John Gaskell, Edward and George French, Harry Chapin and Ed Miller, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Marchal and Mr. and Mrs. George French.

A Pleasant Affair.

The Reception Committee of the St. Louis Young Men's Christian Association tendered a New Year's reception to the members and their friends at the club building, Pine and Locust streets, on Saturday evening. There were music, refreshments and gynastic exhibitions and a generally pleasant time was had.

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A Pleasant Affair.

The Reception Committee of the St. Louis Young Men's Christian Association tendered a New Year's reception to the members and their friends at the club building, Pine and Locust streets, on Saturday evening. There were music, refreshments and gynastic exhibitions and a generally pleasant time was had.

Chicago Anarchists. Chicago, Ill., January 1.—The Anarchist society known as the Arbiter Club, having appealed to the courts for an injunction to prevent the police from interfering with their meetings, has gained a partial victory. Master-in-Chancery Thomas G. White, of the circuit court, ruled yesterday that the injunction of the police against the meeting of the club should stand, but that the injunction of the police against the meeting of the anarchist club should be dissolved.

Chicago Tribune writes as follows:

"Sir—We fully appreciate your article on Cable, Perkins and Associates, we realize that you have not yet hit upon the right combination, but take care of the public interest, and we will be pleased to advise you of the result."

A Freight and Passenger Train Collide at Bushong, Mo.—One Man Killed.

This morning it was reported from Bushong, Mo., a little station on the Iron Mountain Railroad, about thirty miles south of this city, that a terrible railroad collision

took place here on a curve just south of the depot. The eastbound freight and the northbound ex-

press No. 79 and 78, respectively, ran into each other at 9 o'clock last evening. The train was blocked by the wreck all night, and was held over until 6 a.m. by the conductor and engineer, who had to go to town to get supplies. Such an accident has not occurred since the iron road was opened in 1880, and is the first since the arrival of the railroads in this state.

The accident has been described as follows:

"North St. Louis.

Complainants will come in of foot-pad attacks in the vicinity of Twenty-first and Locust streets.

Fight Lodge. Knights and Ladies of Industry, No. 2, Michael's Church, a colored pedestrian club, will have eight or nine miles of grand parade every day.

Mr. George Foster to-day winds up his fortieth year's constant service as boss teamster for the Excelsior Stove Foundry Co.

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## LYTES' VICTORY.

## ONLY REAL BATTLE OF THE PRESENT HAYTIAN WAR.

The General of the Northern Army Defeats Legitimite's Troops — Ridiculous Naval Warfare—Shelling Towns and Hamlets—Hippolyte's Inauguration as President—Announcement of His Cabinet.

By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.  
NEW YORK, January 1.—The New York lands of the North Haytian President, Hippolyte, who have been very chary in giving it news of late, have changed their minds since the news came that Hippolyte had been formally declared President by a majority of the Constituent Assembly and was likely to appeal anew for the recognition of his Government. Anyway, they talked freely yesterday and gave the reporters letters and newspapers received by the Clyde steamers. The latest of the newspapers was *Le Patrie*, issued from Gonavas in North Hayti, December 12. It bristled with war news under the heading "The Revolution Marches from Success to Success."

From this and various letters it was learned that the only real battle of the war (from the Northern point of view) had been fought at St. Marie and resulted in a victory for Hippolyte; that the Legitimite navy had made an excursion up the coast, shelling towns and hamlets, and that Hippolyte had been inaugurated President at Cap-Haïtien to the music of Legitimite gunboats in the harbor near by. St. Marie is not much of a town, but is strongly fortified by nature. It lies in a hollow, surrounded by precipitous hills. The only pass is in places wide enough for six men to walk abreast. It was through this pass that the Legitimite army attempted to storm the town. Recent advice from the South stated that 8,000 men were lying before the town awaiting orders of attack. Yesterday's account of the battle showed that a much smaller body of Hippolyte's men, aided by the lay of the land, not only succeeded in repulsing the attack, as might have been expected from Leondis' exploit at Thermopylae, but his side attacks from the heights on either side of the pass slew 1,500. Of course 1,200 is a good number of less than three thousand Legitimites.

"Northern coasting excursion of the Toussaint L'Overture and the Mamel (which the northerners contemptuously call the 'Toussaints Tender') is described at length.

They arrived at Jean Rabel on the Northwest coast on December 9, when a British bark Robert Hanna, Capt. Robertay lying. The Hanna was loaded with provisions and unloading blockade runners from Monte Cristo. Capt. Robertay was here and the crew leaped overboard and ashore. The gunboats then towed the bark and its crew to the port of Cap-Haïtien, though into the hamlet to set at defiance and die. The Mamel went Gonavas, but as

carries one thirty-two pound gun. The gunboats next appeared at Grande-Saline, but the northern batteries held them off. They then drew up before the burning hamlet called Curvide-Parmetier and snelled it out of existence. At Mole St. Nicolas, which is only fortified town, and twenty-five miles west of Cap-Haïtien, the Legitimite fleet and twenty-five marines went ashore and met the commandant of the port under cover of night. The Legitimite officer said, "We demand you to take up arms for us." "I decline to do anything to do with us," replied Gen. Guillet, turning his back.

The gunboats went off without attacking the fortifications. The bark turned up at Port de l'Orme, where she was drawn up before the fort. The port was too dangerous for gunboats to anchor, so the gunboats towed the bark out of range and the next morning opened fire. As no shell reached shore and none was observed to pass to the gunboats, the gunboats pulled into the harbor. The gunboats were firing blank cartridges, whereupon they laughed. The Toussaint L'Overture flung out a red and white flag of truce and sign language. "Is this peace or war? Take your choice." Gen. De Paix did not make any choice. He kept on laughing and would not give up his position at St. Louis de Nord, a town about as far from man-of-war as can be. A tremendous attack was made. The gunboats pulled into the harbor.

**SHEDDED THE HAMLET.**  
Incidents of the Haytian Republic, English bark the River Lascaille. She was bound to Port de Paix with provisions consigned to M. A. Williams, one of Hippolyte's statesmen. On December 10, when the bark was off Cap-Haïtien six days before that the Toussaint L'Overture had appeared there and given the inhabitants thirty-six hours to prepare for "have a commission." Commander Emilio de Goyeneuve, "to completely destroy the rebels, Gonavas, and St. Marie." He was going to burn the town and the inhabitants were to be driven into the sea. Hippolyte had been declared President of the Republic of Hayti and his inauguration was going forward in the Cathedral at Cap-Haïtien when the gun boats arrived. The bursting of shells interrupted high mass and the inhabitants rushed to arms. There was a general shout and many were killed. The gun boats in which neither did the least slightest injury and then the northern beat drums and got ready. The rebels were beaten. When the inhabitants turned up the next day, they found that General Hippolyte had appointed the follow-

Cabinet of the Republic of Hayti: A. Williams, Minister of Finance; Gen. De Paix, Minister of the Interior; M. A. Williams, Minister of Agriculture; T. M. Feilzer, Minister of Public Instruction; and Gen. Montpoint, Minister of War.

All the North Haytian newspapers were read with interest of Legitimite. They declared that the rebels had been beaten and run away from the fort. They assumed that Hippolyte had massed 12,000 men at Montsols and that Gen. Alexis Nord arrived with 10,000 men and 100 guns. Legitimite strength had come to Hippolyte, a statement which admits that the rebels at Cap-Haïtien had been beaten. Since the last news came, Legitimite auxiliaries, and biscuits cost 5 cents each.

The Haytian Republic.

ORT-AU-PRINCE, via Santiago, January 1.—Lino Luce left the Galena left her yesterday, towing the Haytian Republic, on board which are Capt. Compton and the owner, Morse. Admiral Luce had no instructions for payment of indemnity. The Haytian Republic was captured and must be paid in the Federal court. The Haytian Republic is highly indignant because Admiral Luce has stopped here to wait for the arrival of the Haytian Republic. Mr. W. H. Morrison will cable for a crew. A political situation here remains unchanged. The rebels are reported to be victorious in three recent battles. Gen. Legitimite is fearful of being overthrown. Gen. Legitimite informed a correspondent of the Saginaw affair, "Haytians have been arrested and are in jail. They are suspected of attempting to overthrow the government of Ort-Au-Prince."

HE CRAZY?

Sudden Disappearance of John A. Mackay, the Well-Known Comedian.

NEW YORK, January 1.—A rumor spread in many circles last night that John A. Mackay, the comedian, had disappeared. He is to have appeared at the Orange Opera house to-night in Leonard Grover's new play, "The Noble Son," under the management of the Shuberts. But the lesser reason is that the actor declared he was crazy and had gone to a hospital. He stated by saying: "Good-bye, old fellow, my wife was made at his house and his vaunts and the hospitals, but no trace will be found."

AN UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE.  
The Grave Diggers of Calvary Remembered by the St. Louis Undertakers.

Commodities are not usually the abode of gladness, and Calvary Cemetery is no exception; but yesterday the grave diggers in that silent city of the dead were joyful. Gladness was in their hearts, and their usual dismal faces were wreathed in smiles. The cause of their joy was the fact that each and every member of the force of diggers was the recipient of a handsome present. Calvary employs permanently fourteen regular men whose principal duty is to care for the graves of the dead. They are not so engaged, however, that they do other useful work, such as road repairing, pipe laying, earthmoving, etc., but this is done by contractors, who are paid extra odds and ends necessary to be done in such a place. Besides these regulars the Calvary Cemetery Association during the past year has employed a number of men to dig graves. The removal of the salesrooms from 411 North Fourth street to Tenth and Olive streets, which has just been accomplished, will strike the public as an advance in the company's affairs, whereas it is only an incident in the company's business. The manufacturers of the Home Comfort ranges have 250 salesmen constantly on the road in all the United States.

The factory of the company is crowded with workers and overseers, and runs night and day. It is one of the most successful manufacturing establishments in this section of the country. The main building is 188x200 feet, four stories high, built in connection with a temporary annex 18x200 feet, one story high. In the spring this annex will be removed and a building of at least four stories, 200x200 feet, will be erected on the site. Plans are now being made for this.

## IN THE ANNEX.

The grave-diggers were taken completely by surprise when the undertakers sent a delegation to the city visited Calvary this morning. The gentlemen composed of Capt. J. C. Oliver, Capt. A. E. Amand and Capt. T. Whitsitt. Their object in visiting the cemetery was to present the grave-diggers with a gift. The gift was a present of \$100.

This gift was manifested in the shape of a five-dollar bill, a box of cigars and a bottle of old sour mash to each man. The gift was given to the grave-diggers for the prestige of a man is lowered and he is mercilessly charged by the others. If, as they express it, he is "caught," the undertakers will be compelled to pay the bill.

Mrs. Amand and Whitsitt also made some happy and pleasant remarks.

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## PICTURES AT EXACTLY HALF PRICE.

In order to keep my picture frame factory booming during January, I will sell pictures and frames at exactly half price for two days only, Wednesday and Thursday, January 2 and 3. A call will convince you that this is a genuine sale. F. H. Ingalls, 1007 Olive street.

## MERCANTILE FAILURES FOR 1888.

Some Interesting Figures Computed by the Bradstreet Agency.

By Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, January 1.—Some interesting figures bearing upon the mercantile failures in the United States during the last eight years have just been computed by Bradstreet's. The total number of these failures in 1888 was 10,587 as against 9,744 in 1887, 10,668 in 1886; 11,116 in 1885; 11,629 in 1884; 10,259 in 1883; 7,635 in 1882, and 5,929 in 1881. The general liabilities of the failures amounted to \$102,429,467.

For the year 1888, the total amount of these failures for 1888 was \$61,999,911, while, for 1887, they were \$64,651,000.

For the year 1886, the total amount of general liabilities was \$46,740,400, and 1885, the least, \$27,064,000.

The topographical distribution of the failures for 1888 is as follows:

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## AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE—"A Hole in the Ground," OLYMPIQUE—"Le Voyage en Suisse," PEOPLE—"The Ivy Leaf," STANDARD—"Waifs of New York," MATINES—TO-MORROW.

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The indications for twenty-four hours, commencing at 3 p.m. to-day, for Missouri are: Fair weather; northerly; southwesterly winds.

The Post-Dispatch is the news organ of the Missouri General Assembly.

The events of 1888 give excellent assurance that there will be no local political bosses, no secret political caucuses during 1889.

The new year is welcome, but a new broom which would sweep the streets better would be welcomed to the citizens of St. Louis.

We are glad to hear that other members of the School Board say there is no good foundation for the Bosley charges and that they will be disproved.

ST. LOUIS loses two of her Mayors by the resignation of FRANCIS and FANNING, who go to Jefferson City to be Governors of Missouri. But we still have three Mayors left.

During the present year the gas problem in this city will be settled for many years to come. It is reasonable to expect that no regrets will arise out of the settlement of the problem.

The New York World asks: "Is the bustle on the wane?" We are not sure of the latest position of the bustle in New York, but we are positive that it is not worn there by the ladies of St. Louis.

Do the advocates of the Deering license bill expect the State authorities to have an effect on every railway train to see that no passenger is permitted to pass around a bottle in a friendly way? The selling or giving away of liquor on a railway train is distinctly prohibited.

By making it necessary to secure the consent of a majority of the male and female residents of a block the Deering bill would relegate all the saloons outside of purely business blocks to disreputable portions of the city. This is the intent in the law of the State of Missouri.

SLUGGING matches among our local bruisers may be advertised in the papers and fought to a finish in any of their saloon resorts without police interference. But a sparing exhibition by outsiders cannot escape the vigilance or fury of the authority of the force. It is hostile to imported brutality and bound to protect the home article from foreign competition.

The total destruction of the building and stock of the Richardson Drug Co. by fire this morning was an unfortunate opening of the year for the firm and the city to which it gave the distinction of having the largest wholesale drug establishment in this country. But there is cause for congratulation in the fact that the fire was confined almost entirely to one building, and in the assurance that, notwithstanding the enormous loss occasioned by the fire, the stoppage of business will be only temporary.

No doubt the Alliance labored faithfully to perfect the drug store provisions in its bill, as Mr. DEKEWEN testifies and the first party gradually disappeared, and the first

difference between \$25 for a druggist's license to sell liquor by prescription seven days in a week and \$3,000 for a saloon license to sell liquor six days in the week, will prove a terrible temptation. The safeguards provided may suffice to restrain honest druggists, but no suchござる shred can bind the fellows who appreciate an inducement of nearly \$300 per annum to sell liquor in drug stores instead of in saloons. A few bottles of patent medicine, a doctor to write prescriptions, a separate doctor's office in which to administer the dose, and an amiable clerk and a plentiful supply of the required "goods" will do the business, and save thousands of citizens long trips to the few blocks in which the heavily taxed saloons will be located.

## CONGRATULATIONS WITH GOOD WISHES.

Having reached another milestone of time to-day, the inclination to look back over the familiar path already passed and forward over the unknown road which stretches over hill and valley to the horizon is strong.

The Post-Dispatch finds cause rather for congratulation than regret in the year that has passed and would have its readers look with brave, hopeful eyes to the future. The old year which closed at midnight was altogether happy, progressive and prosperous for the Post-Dispatch, the citizens of St. Louis, the people of the United States and the world at large. The year has had its share of disasters, but the balance on the side of good is larger than it ever has been.

Other cities have experienced the evils of a loose system of granting licenses to all who could present petitions and pay the fees. To get up counter petitions and fight such applications is a disagreeable task, and where the opposition is feeble the average official is inclined to be gracious and shirk the offensive responsibility of investigating the record and character of the applicant.

The process is essentially judicial in its character, and the duty of strictly interpreting and enforcing the provisions of the law in granting licenses should be imposed upon the courts. Since that duty has been imposed on the Common Pleas Judges in Philadelphia there has been a great improvement in the administration of the license law and in the character of the saloons.

The Deering bill was not the one which proposes to tax saloons \$3,000 each for State purposes and exempt them from municipal taxation. It gives the State \$300, and magnanimously concedes the remaining \$2,600 to the municipality. But it is none the less a bludgeon aimed at St. Louis alone. It is a barefaced attack upon wine and beer in the interest of illicit whisky, and the political revenge behind it is as plain as the opportunity it offers for blackmailing and bleeding the great beer business of St. Louis.

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The second HARRISON is a younger, stronger and abler man in political life than his grandfather ever was, and there are as many points of difference between BLAINE and CLAY as between SHERMAN and WARREN. History may not repeat itself. Mighty changes have occurred in the meantime, and gigantic new forces, then unknown, are in control of things now. But in party situations and attitudes and in pending issues there are points of similitude promising to produce similar disturbances and failures.

## PROTECTED LABOR IN PENNSYLVANIA.

B. C. ELLIOT, Pittsburg's Commissioner of Charities. We have every reason to believe that the contract labor law is being constantly violated. Thousands of Slavs and Italians come into this section every season to work in the coke ovens and mills hereabout. They live in the utmost squalor. Forty or fifty men herd together with a single woman in a room that would not accommodate three self-respecting American laborers. They come here under contract to work and send home every penny they can save. Postmaster Larkin informs me that the orders issued upon Italy and Slavonic countries during the past year or two have largely exceeded the number ever before issued within a similar period. These people come under our observation when having come home all their savings, they are taken ill and become charge upon the Bureau of Charities. I don't know one in the large coke ovens recently told me that he was principally Slave, living on \$14.40 a week. On one occasion I found twenty or thirty of them in a deserted house, where they were living holding what they styled a banquet over a dead sheep, which they had purchased for \$1. The animal had died several days before the roof rotted, but they made a meal of it with great gusto nevertheless.

But it does not follow that Police Board will average any better. We believe the present board could be trusted, but the very next one we get may be appointed to work out a job of political engineering and such an extension of its authority and power as the Deering bill proposes would not be politic.

Other cities have experienced the evils of a loose system of granting licenses to all who could present petitions and pay the fees. To get up counter petitions and fight such applications is a disagreeable task, and where the opposition is feeble the average official is inclined to be gracious and shirk the offensive responsibility of investigating the record and character of the applicant.

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## WOMEN OF THE WORLD.

QUEEN VICTORIA has begun her efforts towards economy by dismissing her carpet-layers.

Mrs. A. J. JOHNSON, aged 20, has just taken out a patent for a sewing-machine need that does not need threading.

THE Duchess of Montrose is having a suit brought against her for payment for 1,000 orchids at a guinea a plant.

Mrs. JOHN HARPER, widow of the founder of the great publishing house of Harper & Bros., has died in New York last Friday, was 25 years old.

MRS. CLAUDETTE, an English philosophical worker among the servant class, wants a society formed for the training and reformation of mistresses.

FASHION in France ordains that henceforth armorial crests and such things are to be banished from such places as letter-paper, etc., but are to be embossed on women's dresses in colors over the heart.

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**E**ARLY this morning the great six-story drug house occupied by the Richardson Drug Co. at Fourth street and Clark avenue was completely destroyed by fire. No planing mill fire was ever more complete in its destruction. Not a portion of the walls that can be used in reconstruction was left. Not a fragment of the stock, not a bit of flooring remains. The flames swept through the mammoth building and leveled it, consumed that which was combustible in it and wrecked that which would not burn. The drug house was one of those immense concerns to which St. Louisans always called the attention of visitors. "The largest drug house in America," they would say, as proudly as if they had a share in the mammoth business. To-day if you are in search of a parallel for chasm ever was so suddenly and completely wiped out.

To say then that the fire never got a hold on adjoining buildings is to give the Fire Department the highest praise possible.

Where the fire originated and how are mysteries.

The first information the department had of it was when a man—who was not known to the firemen and has not since been identified—rushed into engine-house No. 15, Broadway at the head of Valentine street, at 2:15 o'clock this morning and shouted: "There's a big fire on Clark avenue."

"He didn't say where the fire was," said Adolf Mayer, who saw the man. "He just said there was a big fire."

**THE ALARM WAS GIVEN** and No. 15 men were out of their beds, into their trowsers and boots and down the smooth aisle to the platform on the engine and ladder before one could count ten. They soon reached Clark avenue but before turning of Broadway knew from the red light that there was work before them.

"I didn't think we could get down Clark avenue," said Pigeon George Koenig this morning as he held back an impudent nozzle. "The fire was all over the main building and the heat in the street was awful. We ran our lines out and went to work. The alarm was turned in as soon as we got here and all the other engines began to come. Ten minutes after we got here the rear wall of the main building fell upon the warehouse and set fire to that."

"Could you locate the fire when you got to the building?"

"No," said Louis Schreiber, another of the pipe-men, "the fire seemed to be all over the place, but I think it started up stairs. Some one went in on the first floor and said the fire was upstairs. There were small explosions one after another, a continual pop-pop all the time until the walls fell. The house seemed to be full of explosives."

"Did you see anything of the watchman?"

"No," the pipe-men all said. They have seen no one in the building, and if there was a watchman on the premises when the fire started they thought his body must be in the ruins.

**ANTHONY GERAGHTY** was the watchman. He is 50 years old, the father of five children. He had been in the employ of the Richardson Drug Co. for about a year and was regarded as highly honorable and reliable man. Members of the corporation were the following: John J. Koenig, president; C. Richardson, vice-president and general manager; James Richardson, Jr., secretary and treasurer; L. H. Cross, manager of the New York office, and John S. Moore, manager of the drugstore department.

JAMES RICHARDSON, the president of the company, was found in the office of the drugstore on Clark avenue. Formerly the third alarm was the general alarm, but within the year the rule was changed, so that when one alarm or six engines, the alarm engines within a certain radius of the fire, and the fourth alarm every species of engine in the neighborhood of the city. The first alarm is struck by sending out a signal to the number of the box from which the alarm comes. For the second alarm the number of the box is repeated by two strokes. For a third alarm two strokes are given, and for a fourth alarm the signal is three strokes followed by ten. On the Clark avenue the first alarm was struck, gave the signals to the fire alarm to send out the second and third alarms. It was evident that the fire was still gaining headway.

**THE FOURTH AND GENERAL ALARM** was struck. The engines were dropped as near to the building as the law of the planks and the heat of the fire permit ed. A great deal of attention was paid by the men to surrounding buildings, for it successfully got away. The drug house gave way, precipitating into the furnace stocks of inflammable materials, the walls of which were cracked and curled. The cornice which had run across the South Fourth street took fire and a geyser of flame shot out of the window which clinked upon the pavement continuously.

The front wall of the drug house tottered, trembled and then went down into the Clark avenue. The street followed suit immediately and then there only remained a section of the front wall between the junction with the south wall, and a tall fragment of the west partition wall.

Light-colored smoke in great volume rose from the ruins, covering the sky for blocks about the place, so that it was nearly 8 o'clock before the fire engines were kept at the ruins long after the danger of spread out of bounds was over to thorough search the ruins, and prevent a recurrence of the fire.

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CASEY AV.—1000..... Crawley's Phar-

CASEY AV.—1257..... C. W. Tamkefors

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CHOURA ST.—2126..... Chas. F. Ochsner

DODDIE ST.—2345..... C. V. Vogt

EASTON AV.—810..... C. F. Pauley

FRANCIS AV.—1001..... F. W. Smith

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